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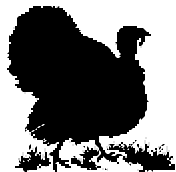
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## NATIONAL TURKEY MARKET AT-A-GLANCE



### **DOMESTIC MARKET HIGHLIGHTS**

The market tone on 8-16 lb. hens and 16-24 lb. toms was steady. No reported trading. Demand light to moderate. Interest noted for fresh and frozen for Easter and Thanksgiving holidays. Sale of fresh hens reported at 71 cents for Easter. The market tone on parts and meats was steady to firm. Offerings of bulk parts and meats are light, instances short.

### **EXPORT MARKET HIGHLIGHTS**

Trading was slow. Demand very light. Movement curtailed due to the disease problems in the export and domestic markets.

### **SAN FRANCISCO TURKEYS (CENTS PER LB)** **DELIVERED TO RESTAURANTS AND INSTITUTIONS**

	<u>RANGE</u>
TURKEYS Y HENS	109-129
TURKEYS Y TOMS UNDER 22#	99-125
TURKEYS Y TOMS 22-24#	99-125
TURKEYS Y TOMS 24-26#	99-129
TURKEYS Y TOMS 26 LBS & OVER	105-130

### **LOS ANGELES PROCESSED TURKEYS (CENTS PER LB)** **DELIVERED TO RESTAURANTS AND INSTITUTIONS**

	<u>RANGE</u>
FROZEN TURKEYS Y TOMS 24-28#	70-77
FROZEN TURKEYS Y TOMS 28# & UP	77-83
BREASTS 10-12#	120
COOKED ROLLS 60/40% 9# & UP	
<b><u>DELIVERED TO RETAILERS</u></b>	<u>RANGE</u>
FRESH TURKEYS Y HENS 8-16#	96
FRESH TURKEYS Y TOMS 14-24#	96
FROZEN TURKEYS Y HENS 8-16#	68-69
FROZEN TURKEYS Y TOMS 14-24#	66-70
FROZEN TURKEYS Y TOMS 24-28#	70-77

**WHOLE YOUNG TURKEYS**, FROZEN 1/, CONSUMER SIZES, COMMODITY PACK OR EQUIVALENT, US GRADE A, CENTS PER LB, DELIVERED (MINIMUM 10,000 LB LOTS)

### **CURRENT SHIPMENTS 2/**

	<u>OFFERS</u>	<u>SALES</u>	<u>WTD</u>	<u>VOLUME</u>
			<u>AVG</u>	<u>(000)</u>
<b>8-16 LB HENS</b>				
EASTERN REGION 3/	60-63	-	-	-
CENTRAL REGION 4/	59-63	-	-	-
WESTERN REGION 5/	60-64	-	-	-
<b>16-24 LB TOMS</b>				
EASTERN REGION	58-60	-	-	-
CENTRAL REGION	57-59	-	-	-
WESTERN REGION	58-60	-	-	-

### **FORWARD SHIPMENTS 6/**

<u>WTD</u>	<u>VOLUME</u>	<u>DEL.</u>
<u>AVG</u>	<u>(000)</u>	<u>PER</u>

### **OPEN COMMITMENTS 7/**

<u>VOLUME</u>	<u>DEL.</u>
<u>(000)</u>	<u>PER</u>

1/ May include product stored at temperatures in range of 1 to 25 degrees F. 2/ Includes product priced for shipment within 14 days. 3/ Includes product with 3 percent broth basting. 4/ Includes product with 3-6 percent broth basting. 5/ Includes products with 6 percent broth basting. 6/ Includes product committed for pricing during the previous 24 hours but shipment in more than 14 days from date of commitment. 7/ Includes product committed during previous 24 hours at prices to be determined at later date.

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**NATIONAL YOUNG TURKEY PARTS AND BULK MEAT**, FROZEN (UNLESS SPECIFIED), CENTS PER LB., DELIVERED FIRST RECEIVERS, PART AND FULL TRUCKLOTS AS OF 23 FEBRUARY 2004.

The fresh white meat market was fully steady to firm for prompt shipments, frozen steady to firm. Demand fair to good on fresh for immediate deliveries, frozen slow to moderate. Offerings were short to instances light and held with confidence. The undertone on tom drums was steady, tom 2-joint wings steady at best, tom full-cut wings firm due in part to grinding and strong wing meat demand, and tom necks were steady to firm. The undertone on hen parts were steady to firm with necks and wings in the strongest position. The rib breast undertone was steady to fully steady. Demand light to fair for the mostly adequate supplies. Some industry members are diverting designated whole bird production to cut-up due to better margins. Trading centered on a fair volume of Grade A 4-8 lb. breasts 93 delivered March and on fresh MST for current shipments, balance light. Exporters continued to watch disease problems in both domestic and export markets with some reshuffling product final destinations. For domestic: fresh wing meat with skin 84-88, fresh breast trim 88-93, fresh scapula 96, plant grade non-basted 14-16 lb. breasts 98, frozen 1 year old destrapped tenderloins 125 cents delivered.

DOMESTIC TRADING	PRICE RANGE	L.S.T. CODE 1/	WTD AVG PRICE	VOLUME (000)
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS GRADE A 2/		F	90.79	560
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS GRADE A--FRESH 2/				
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS PLANT GRADE 2/		F	82.00	160
DRUMSTICKS, TOM	58.00		58.00	20
DRUMSTICKS, TOM--FRESH		F	54.80	25
DRUMSTICKS, HEN		F	54.00	41
WINGS, FULL-CUT, TOM	44.00-45.00		44.50	40
WINGS, FULL-CUT, HEN		W	45.00	40
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM	39.00		39.00	80
WINGS, V-TYPE, HEN		W	81.00	40
NECKS, TOM	55.00-56.00		55.15	130
NECKS, HEN		F	51.00	20
BREASTS, B/S, TOM 3/		R	160.00	40
BREASTS, B/S, TOM--FRESH 3/	170.00		170.00	30
THIGH MEAT		F	87.00	20
THIGH MEAT--FRESH	88.00		88.00	48
BREAST TRIM MEAT	82.00-85.00		83.00	120
SCAPULA MEAT		R	81.67	120
TENDERLOINS				
DESTRAPPED TENDERS	157.00		157.00	40
DESTRAPPED TENDERS--FRESH	155.00		155.00	4
WING MEAT WITH SKIN		W	80.00	40
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/				
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED--FRESH 4/	34.00		34.00	400
EXPORT TRADING				
DRUMSTICKS, TOMS		F	56.67	120
WINGS FULL-CUT - TOMS				
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM	35.00-36.00		35.60	200
TAILS				
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/				
THIGH MEAT - FROZEN		F	87.00	80

1/ CODES FOR LAST SIGNIFICANT TRADE (L.S.T.): M=MONDAY T=TUESDAY W=WEDNESDAY R=THURSDAY F=FRIDAY

2/ Breasts are bagged; rib, back, and wing meat included; and basted.

3/ Boneless and skinless without tenderloins.

4/ 15-20% fat with skin added.